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(54) SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DETERMINING ENVIRONMENT DIMENSIONS BASED ON ENVIRONMENT POSE

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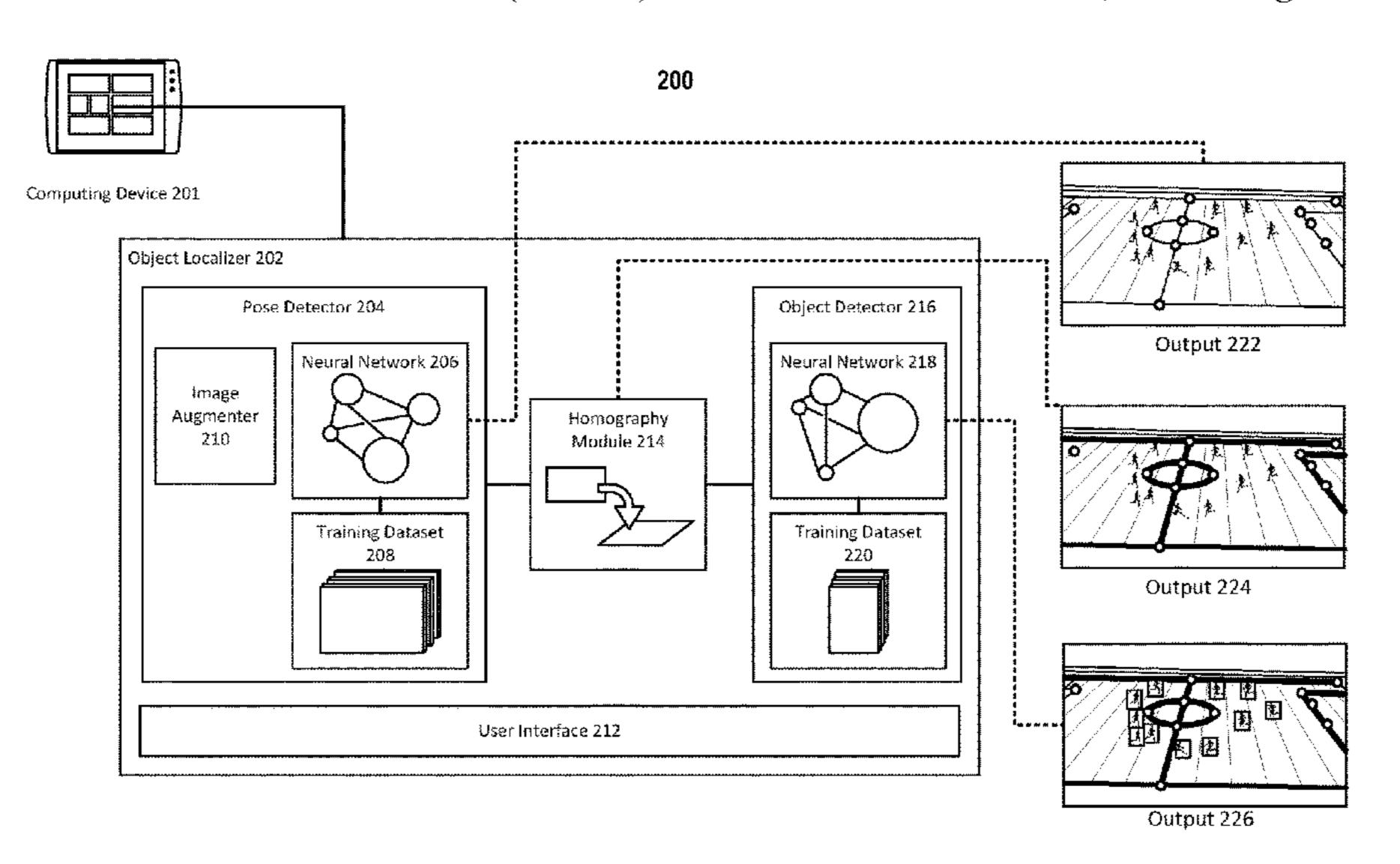
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(57) ABSTRACT

Disclosed herein are systems and method for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose. In one aspect, the method may include training, with a dataset including a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment. The method may comprise receiving an input image depicting the environment, generating an input tensor based on the input image, and inputting the input tensor into the neural network, which may be configured to generate an output tensor including a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score. The method may include calculating a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane in order to output an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane.

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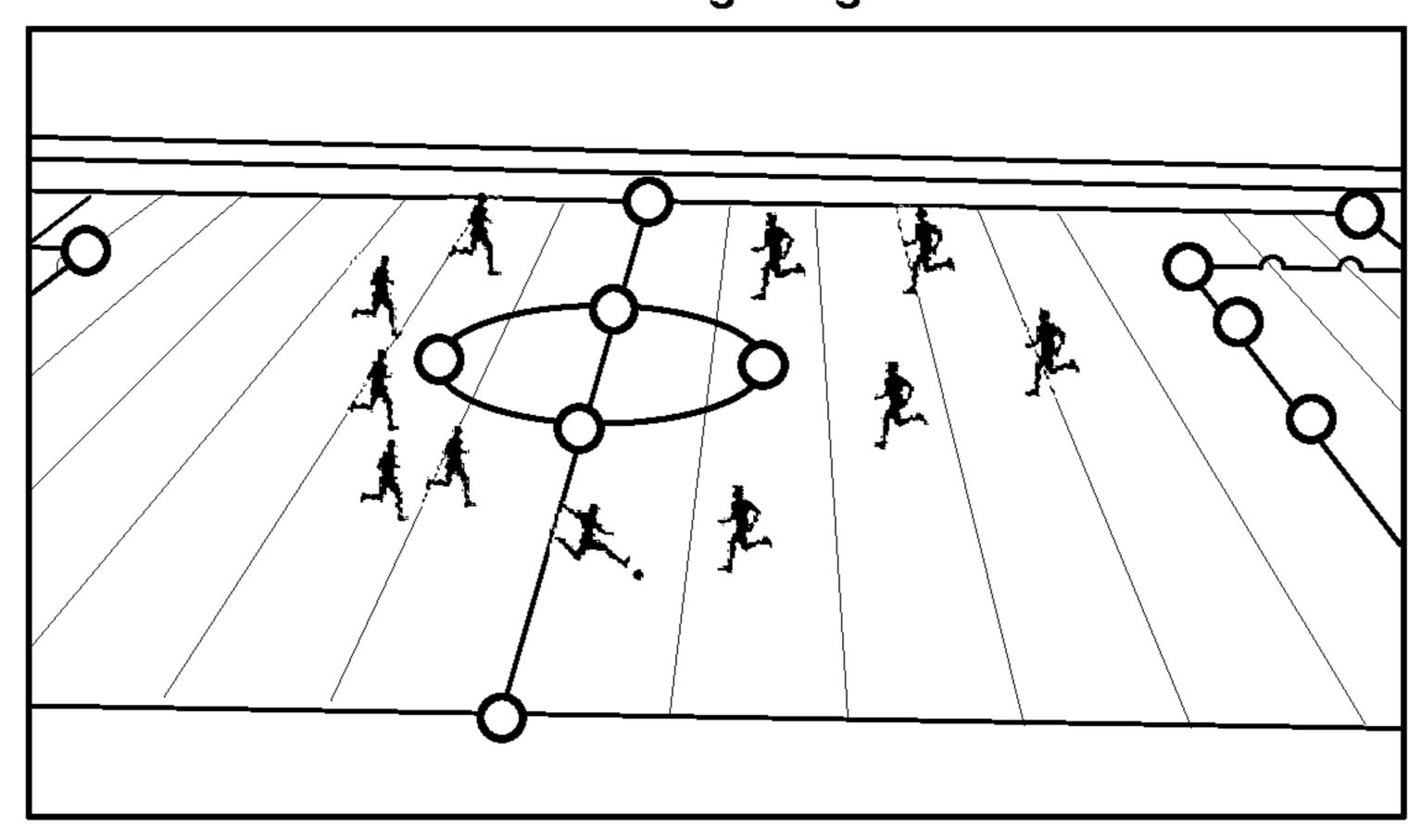
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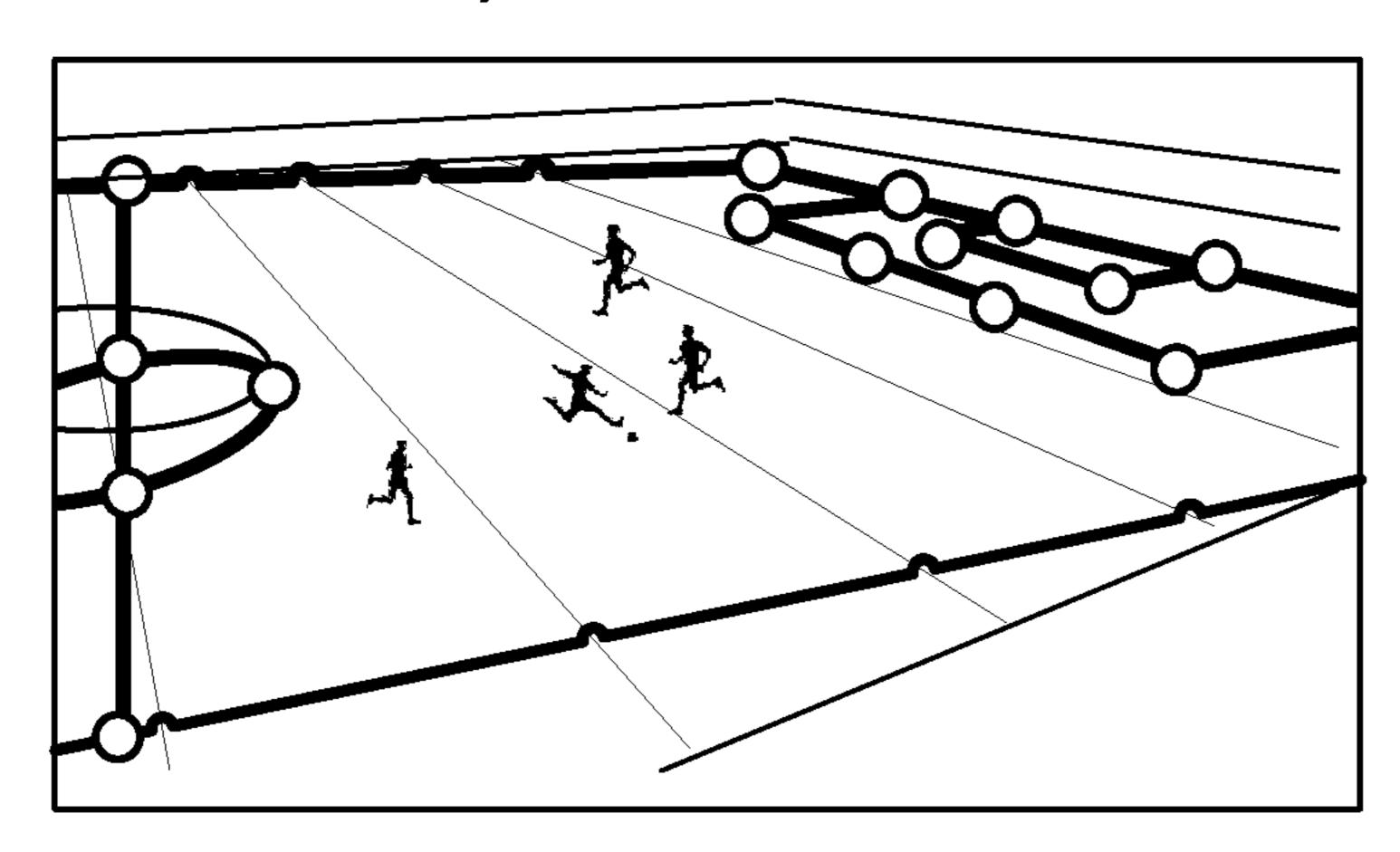
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Training Image



Key Landmarks Detection



Pose Detection Architecture

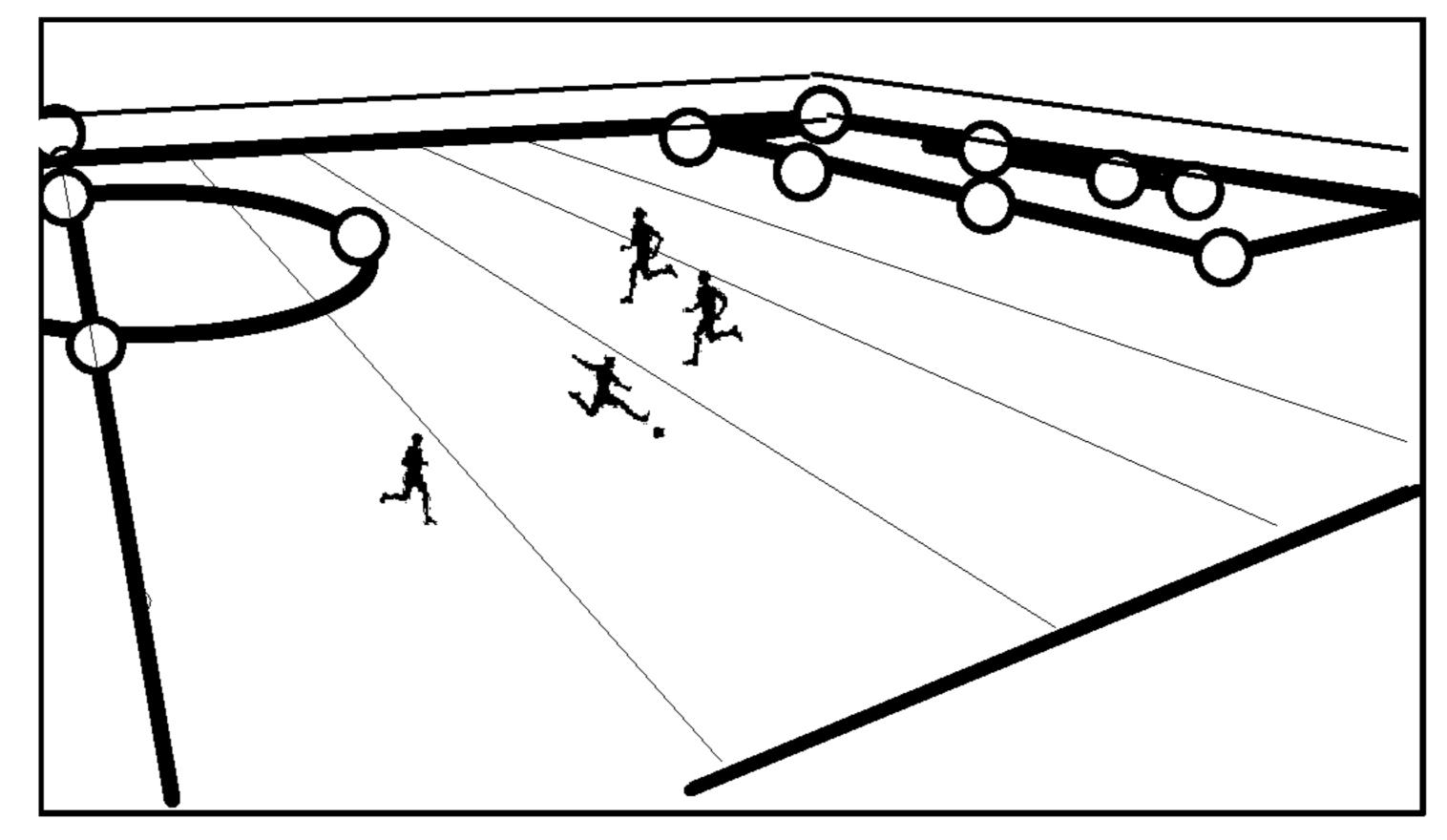
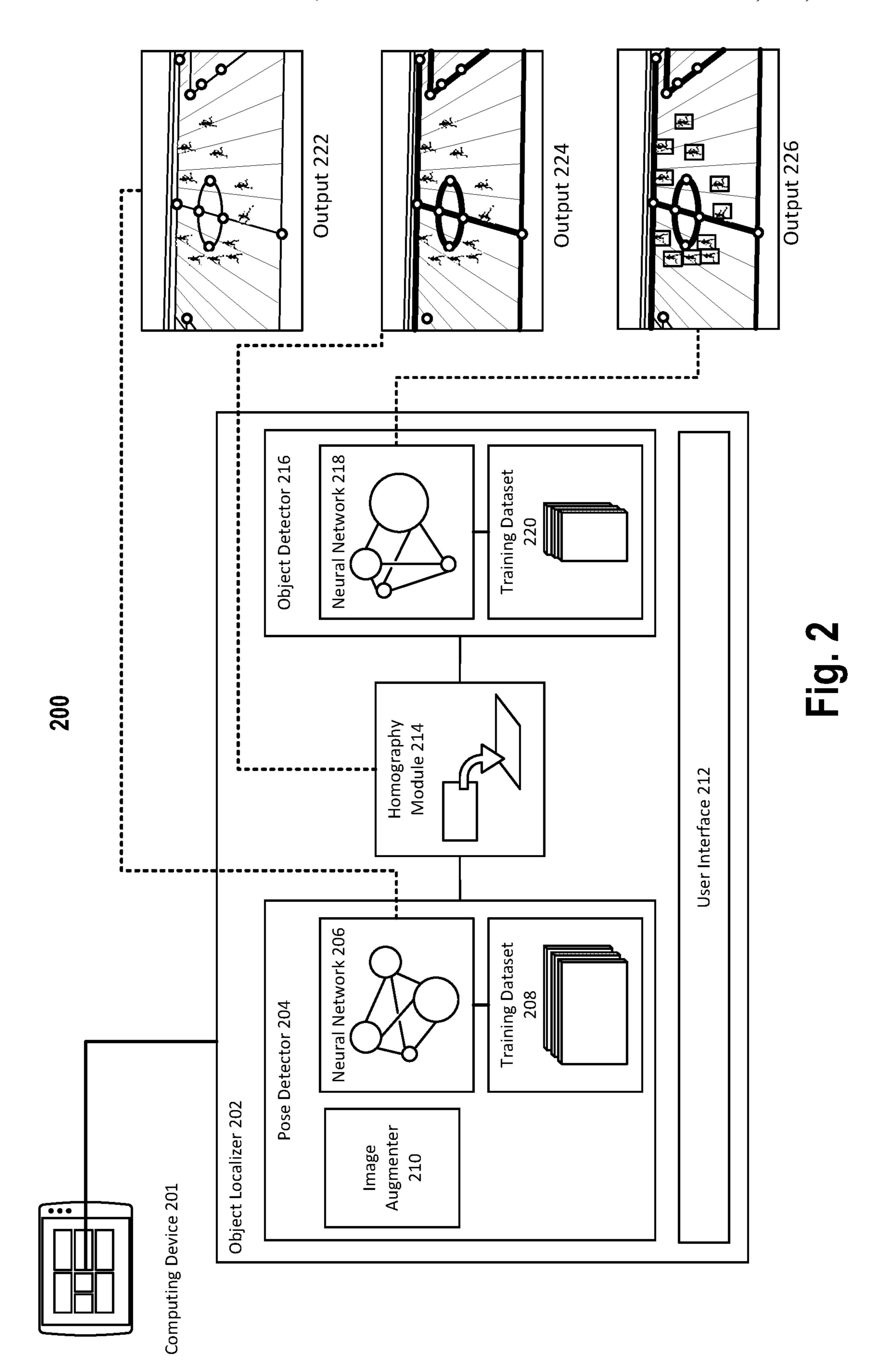
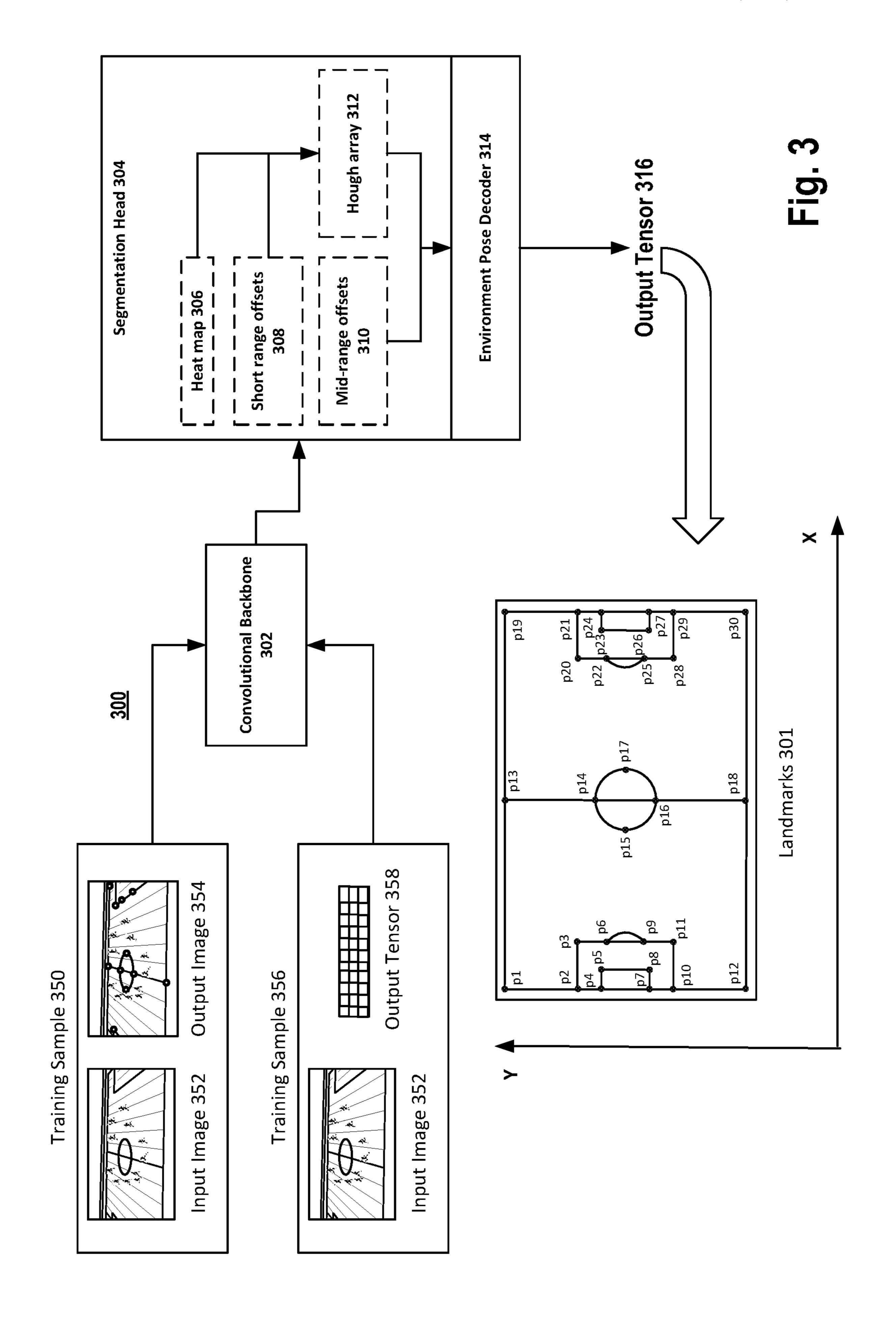


Fig. 1





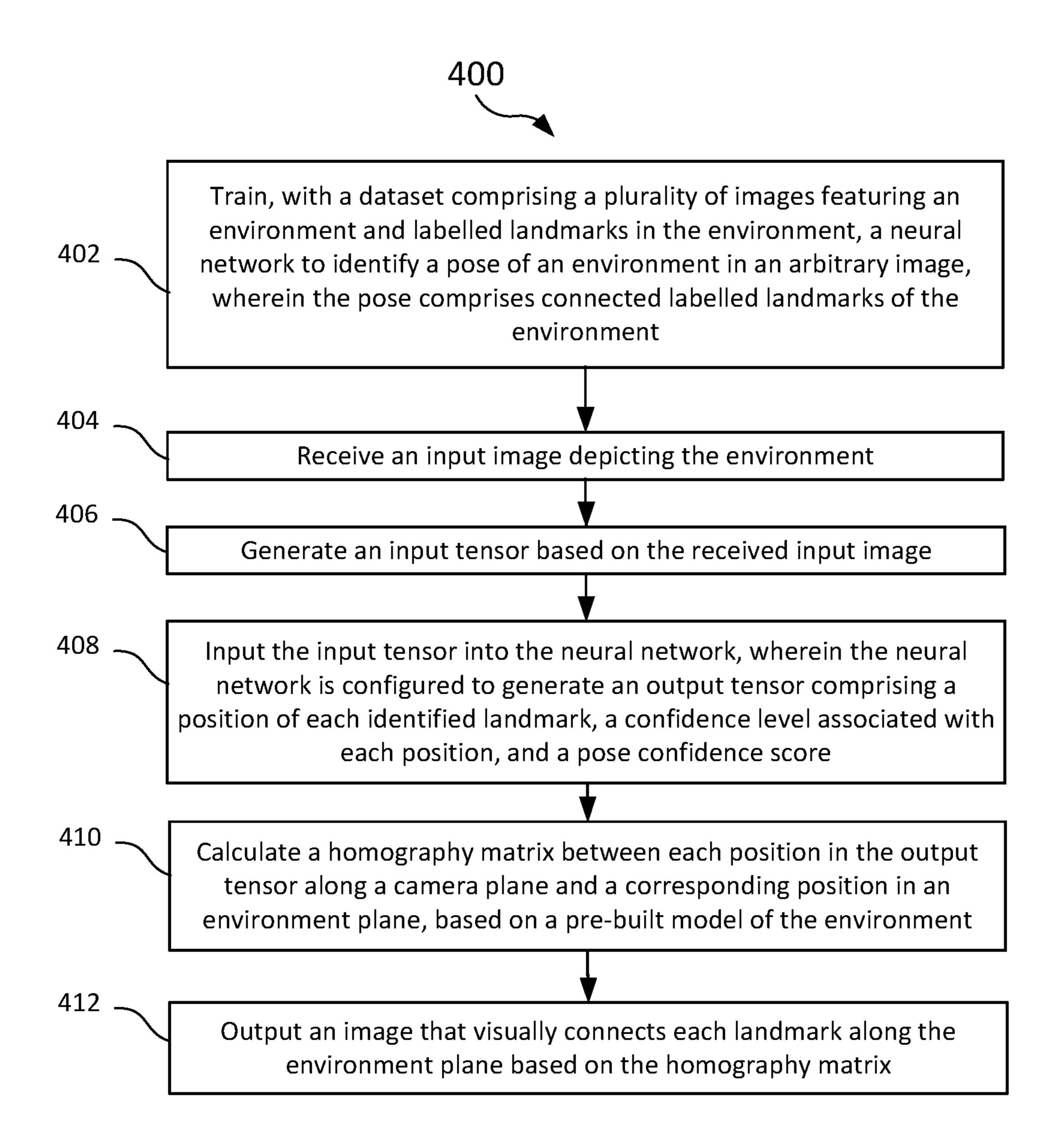
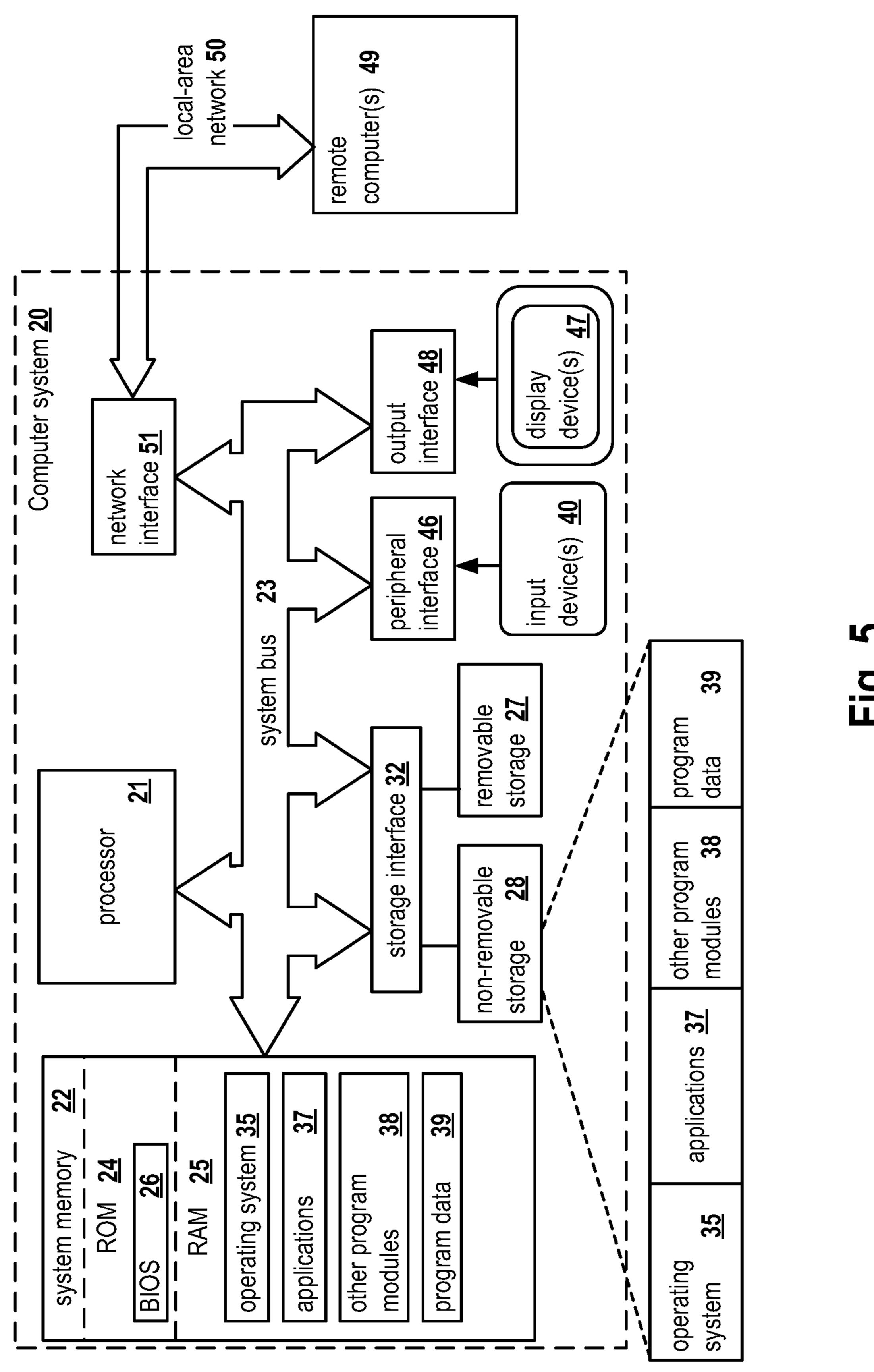


Fig. 4



SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DETERMINING ENVIRONMENT DIMENSIONS BASED ON ENVIRONMENT POSE

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 63/210,599, filed Jun. 15, 2021, which is herein incorporated by reference.

FIELD OF TECHNOLOGY

The present disclosure relates to the field of computer ¹⁵ vision, and, more specifically, to systems and methods for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose.

BACKGROUND

When localizing objects using computer vision and machine learning, object detection is usually described relative to the dimensions of the two-dimensional input image. For example, the location of a detected object may be described as pixel coordinates. This information is useful, but not relevant if a user wants to know the location of the object relative to the environment that the object is in. Consider an example where an input image is of a broadcast view of a soccer match. A user may be interested in dentifying the players on the field and determining their location on the field (rather than on the image). In order to determine the location of the objects on the field, such as the players, the dimensions of the field need to be determined.

One approach to determining the dimensions is key point 35 detection, which involves identifying points in an image that will always have the same real-life positions relative to one another (e.g., the center point of an official soccer pitch will be the same distance from the soccer net irrespective of which official soccer pitch it is). Although key point detection enables the dimensions of a location to be estimated, depending on the camera perspective, the dimensions may be inaccurate.

Accordingly, there is a need for improved dimension determination.

SUMMARY

To address these shortcomings, aspects of the disclosure describe methods and systems for determining environment 50 dimensions based on environment pose.

In one exemplary aspect, the techniques described herein relate to a method for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose, the method including: training, with a dataset including a plurality of images featuring an 55 environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose includes connected labelled landmarks of the environment; receiving an input image depicting the environment; generating an input tensor 60 based on the received input image; inputting the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor including a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score; calculating 65 a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in

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an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and outputting an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein a camera perspective of the input image does not match any of the camera perspectives of the plurality of images in the dataset.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the neural network includes: a convolutional backbone with feature extraction layers, and a segmentation head.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the pre-built model of the environment is indicative of distances between each landmark in the environment.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the neural network is further configured to determine a heat map for each position of each identified landmark, wherein the heat map represents an area in which the identified landmark may be in the input image.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the neural network optimizes the loss using stochastic gradient descent.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the input image is a video frame of a livestream, and wherein the neural network determines environment dimensions in real-time.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a method, wherein the environment is a sports field and the labelled landmarks are locations on the sports field.

It should be noted that the methods described above may be implemented in a system comprising a hardware processor. Alternatively, the methods may be implemented using computer executable instructions of a non-transitory computer readable medium.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a system for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose, the system including: a hardware processor configured to: train, with a dataset including a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose includes connected labelled landmarks of the environment; 45 receive an input image depicting the environment; generate an input tensor based on the received input image; input the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor including a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score; calculate a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and output an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

In some aspects, the techniques described herein relate to a non-transitory computer readable medium storing thereon computer executable instructions for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose, including instructions for: training, with a dataset including a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose includes connected labelled landmarks of the environment; receiving an input image depicting the environment; generating an input tensor based on the received input image;

inputting the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor including a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score; calculating a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and outputting an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

The above simplified summary of example aspects serves to provide a basic understanding of the present disclosure. This summary is not an extensive overview of all contemplated aspects, and is intended to neither identify key or critical elements of all aspects nor delineate the scope of any or all aspects of the present disclosure. Its sole purpose is to present one or more aspects in a simplified form as a prelude to the more detailed description of the disclosure that follows. To the accomplishment of the foregoing, the one or more aspects of the present disclosure include the features described and exemplarily pointed out in the claims.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The accompanying drawings, which are incorporated into 25 and constitute a part of this specification, illustrate one or more example aspects of the present disclosure and, together with the detailed description, serve to explain their principles and implementations.

FIG. 1 is a diagram illustrating outputs from a key point ³⁰ detection approach and a pose detection approach.

FIG. 2 is a block diagram illustrating a system for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose.

FIG. 3 is a block diagram illustrating an exemplary neural 35 network structure.

FIG. 4 illustrates a flow diagram of a method for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose.

FIG. **5** presents an example of a general-purpose computer system on which aspects of the present disclosure can be implemented.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Exemplary aspects are described herein in the context of a system, method, and computer program product for determining environment dimensions based on landmark detection. Those of ordinary skill in the art will realize that the following description is illustrative only and is not intended to be in any way limiting. Other aspects will readily suggest themselves to those skilled in the art having the benefit of this disclosure. Reference will now be made in detail to implementations of the example aspects as illustrated in the accompanying drawings. The same reference indicators will be used to the extent possible throughout the drawings and the following description to refer to the same or like items.

FIG. 1 is a diagram illustrating outputs from a key point detection approach and a pose detection approach. As discussed in the background, simply using key point detection will not enable proper dimension determination of a location. Consider a training dataset that comprises a plurality of training images depicting soccer pitches. As depicted in the first image of FIG. 1, a camera perspective of the training images may be the typical broadcast view of a game. When key point detection (or key landmarks detection) is used, the

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camera perspective can cause detection inaccuracies. For example, the second image in FIG. 1 is a view captured when the camera is slightly tilted. Accordingly, the center field key points are also tilted. This is because the key point detection approach emphasizes spacing between key points to approximate positions (i.e., if key point X is in position 1, key point Y will be 4 meters directly to the left at position 2 because that is how the training images are set up). When the spacing becomes distorted due to camera perspective, tilt, and lens differences, the rigid spacing will cause incorrect positioning when using key point detection.

The present disclosure discusses a pose detection architecture whose output is resilient to such distortions. As shown in the third image of FIG. 1, despite the camera tilt (which causes a distortion of the soccer pitch), the pitch is properly mapped (i.e., the dimensions are correct). Due to the difference in architecture between pose and key point approaches, the present disclosure's systems and methods allow for a proper determination of environment/location dimensions even when a camera perspective of the input image does not match any of the camera perspectives of the training images used to train the neural network of the exemplary aspect.

FIG. 2 is a block diagram illustrating system 200 for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose. In an exemplary aspect, system 200 includes computing device 201 (e.g., a server, a smartphone, etc.) that executes object localizer 202. Object localizer 202 may be a software that is configured to receive an input image and output a version of the input image that highlights the objects in the input image, identifies an environment in the input image, and/or provides locations of the objects relative to the environment.

Object localizer 202 comprises various modules including pose detector 204, homography module 214, and object detector 216. User interface 212 accepts an input image and provides, via object localizer 202, an output image (e.g., one of outputs 222, 224, and 226 depending on the output the user wants). In some aspects, neural networks 206 and 218 and training datasets 208 and 220 may be stored on a different device than computing device 201. Computing device **201** may be a computer system (described in FIG. **5**) such as a smartphone. If the neural networks 206 and 218 and/or training datasets 208 and 220 are stored on a different device (e.g., a server), computing device 201 may communicate with the different device to acquire information about the structure of the neural networks, code of neural networks, images in the training datasets, etc. This communication may take place over a network (e.g., the Internet). For example, object localizer 202 may be split into a thin client application and a thick client application. A user may provide an input image via user interface 212 on computing device 201. Interface 212, in this case, is part of the thin client. Subsequently, the input image may be sent to the different device comprising the thick client with the neural networks and the training datasets. Neural network 218 may yield output image 226 and transmit it to computing device 201 for output via user interface 212.

Pose detector 204 comprises image augmenter 210, which is a module that receives an input image (e.g., depicting a soccer match broadcast frame) from user interface 212 and augments the input image for processing via neural network 206, which detects landmarks in the input image. For

example, image augmenter 210 may convert the input image into a grayscale image, may crop the input image, rotate the input image, resize the input image, etc. Image augmenter 210 may also generate a tensor representation of the input image after any combination of augmentations.

FIG. 3 is a block diagram illustrating an exemplary neural network structure 300 (e.g., of neural network 206 used for pose detection). Structure 300 comprises a convolutional neural network backbone 302. Backbone 302 includes the feature extraction layers that receive an input image and generate feature maps containing high-level summarized information. Example feature extraction layers may be convolutional and pooling layers. For example, backbone 302 may follow the structure of known image classifying neural networks such as Resnet, VGG-16, EfficientNet, etc.).

When passing the input image through neural network **206**, output **222** may be generated. Neural network **206** may be trained using training dataset **208**. Training dataset **208** may comprise a plurality of images depicting an environage and certain landmarks in the environment.

Consider an example in which the input image is a frame of a real-time video stream depicting multiple objects. This video steam may be of a soccer match and the multiple objects may include a soccer ball and humans (e.g., players, coaches, staff, fans, etc.). As shown in FIG. 1, the images may be a far-view of the soccer field (e.g., a broadcast view). Training dataset 220 may include a plurality of images, each depicting multiple objects. Training dataset 208 may include images of the environment (i.e., the soccer field) with labelled key points signifying landmarks.

For example, landmarks 301 in FIG. 3 contains 30 points (p1-p30) that, when connected, provide structure to the soccer field (e.g., the four points p14, p15, p16, p17 in the 35 middle form a circle, the multiple points p12, p18, p30 along the edge of the field, etc.). These points are manually identified as landmarks in training images. A training sample for neural network 206 may take two formats. For example, the training sample may be training sample 350, which 40 includes input image 352 and output image 354. Output image 354 includes annotated points in specific locations of input image 352. These points represent landmarks corresponding to landmarks 301. In another format, training sample 356 may include output tensor 358 (used inter- 45 changeably with output vector) of shape [N, 2]. N represents the number of landmark points that can potentially be identified. Following the example of a soccer field, where N equals 30, output tensor 358 has the shape [30, 2]. This tensor has 30 rows (1 per key point) and 3 columns: x, y. 50 Here, x and y represent coordinates of a point on frame. In output image **354**, only 11 of the 30 landmarks are identified. The remaining 19 are outside of the visible portion of the soccer field. A corresponding output tensor 358 may be organized as:

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Here, the x and y coordinates represent pixel values. For example, point p14 has coordinates (500, 600) signifying a pixel that is 500 pixels from the left most pixel of input image 352 and 600 pixels from the bottom most pixel of input image 352. For points that have coordinates (0,0), the point is off of the image. For example, point p1 has coordinates (0,0) and referring to landmarks 301 and output image 354, it can be seen that point p1 is not visible in input image 352.

There are three types of key points for each image: (1) key points outside the frame for which coordinates are not labeled, (2) key points inside the frame for which coordinates are labeled, and (3) key points outside frame for which coordinates are labeled. The third type appears during augmentation.

Neural network 206 may receive a plurality of training samples such as training sample 356 and learn features associated with each point of landmarks 301. Because each input image 352 includes a different view of the environment, some points may be visible while others may not be visible. In some images, all points may be visible. Based on the relative positions of each point, neural network 206 may be trained to estimate an output tensor 316 for any given input image.

On a more technical level, in neural network 206, convolutional backbone 302 extracts features from input image 352. These features are sent to segmentation head 304, which outputs output tensor 316. Output tensor 316 produced by segmentation head 304 is compared with output tensor 358 (i.e., the real values) and the neural network is trained based on the comparison (i.e., how far off the guess of segmentation head 304 is).

Unlike output tensor **358**, which includes the true position values, output tensor **316** may be shape [N, **4**]. N still represents the number of landmark points that can potentially be identified. Following the example of a soccer field, where N equals 30, output tensor **316** has the shape [30, 4]. This tensor has 30 rows (1 per key point) and 4 columns: x, y, position confidence score, and pose confidence score. Here, x and y represent predicted coordinates of a point on frame, and the position confidence score is a probability that the likelihood that the (x,y) predicted coordinates are equal to the real coordinates, and the pose confidence score is a mean value of the position confidence scores. A corresponding output tensor **316** may be organized as:

TABLE 1

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	Data inside a Training Output Vector/Tensor														
		Landmark Points													
	P1	P2	Р3	P4	P5		P14	P15	P16	P17		P27	P28	P29	P30
X Y	0 0	0	100 800					400 500	500 400				0 0	0 0	0

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Data inside Output Vector/Tensor of Arbitrary Image														
	Landmark Points													
	P1	P2	Р3	P4	P5	P14	P15	P16	P17		P27	P28	P29	P30
X Y	0 0	0 0	99 780	0 0	0 0	500 610	405 550	45 0 47 0	500 500		0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Position Confidence Score (%)	90	90	90	88	71	78	89	74	72		91	95	98	90
Pose Confidence Score (%)	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84		84	84	84	84

More specifically, segmentation head 304 of neural network 206 is configured to determine, from the extracted features, a heat map 306 for each key point (used interchangeably with landmark point), short range offsets 308, 20 mid-range offsets 310, and Hough array 312. Hough array 312 is generated using Hough voting on heat map 306 and short range offsets 308. Segmentation head 304 further comprises an environment pose decoder 314, which takes mid-range offsets 310 and Hough array 312, and outputs 25 coordinates of the key points.

Suppose that disk D(p) is a disk of radius R centered around point p in an image. In some aspects, p_k is key point where a landmark may reside. For every landmark point, segmentation head 304 predicts a heat map $H(p_k)$ such that 30 $H(p_k)=1$ if $p \in D(p_k)$, otherwise $H(p_k)=0$. Thus, for each respective key point, segmentation head 304 predicts a disk of radius R around the respective key point of the environment.

number of pixels (e.g., 10). During training, segmentation head **304** calculates the heatmap loss as the average L1 loss for image positions and back-propagates the heatmap loss across the image of the environment. In some aspects, this loss is minimized using an optimizer such as stochastic gradient descent without the long range offsets found in conventional pose detection neural networks.

Segmentation head 304 predicts short-range offsets 308 which comprise vectors S(d). At each point d within the key 45 point disks, the short-range 2-D offset vector S(d) points from the point d to the i-th keypoint of the environment. Thus, segmentation head 304 generates N vector fields (where N is the number of landmark points) and solves a regression problem at each point d. During training, seg- 50 mentation head 304 penalizes the short-range offset prediction errors with the L1 loss.

Segmentation head 304 then aggregates the short-range offsets and the heatmap using hough voting to generate Hough array 312. More specifically, each point p casts a vote 55 to each key point i. In some aspects, each vote has a weight equal to an activation probability of the point p. The local maxima in the Hough arrays serve as candidate positions for key points.

Segmentation head 304 then generates mid-range offsets 60 310 to group together the key points. Environment pose decoder 314 connects the key points using the mid-range offsets 310 and Hough array 312. Segmentation head 304 ultimately estimates the position of each landmark (i.e., keypoint) and provides a confidence level of the estimation. 65 The mean value of the confidence levels is the pose confidence score.

The output of neural network 206 may be a visual output (e.g., output 222) with highlighted landmarks or a numerical output (e.g., a tensor of size [N, 4]). When the output is numerical, the tensor may be input into homography module 214. Homography module 214 creates the structure of the environment for which landmarks were identified. Homography module 214 may have environment models that indicate the distance between landmarks. For example, homography module 214 may store a soccer field model shown in FIG. 2, which lists the distances between the key points. Homography module 214 may then calculate a homography matrix between key points on a camera plane and the same key points on a field plane. Using the calculated homography and the environment models, any point from the camera plane can be transformed into an environment plane. Homography module **214** thus outputs output 224, which connects the key points in the field plane.

For example, in a standard soccer field, p13 may be 50 In some aspects, the radius is set to a predetermined 35 yards away from p19, and p13 may be 70 yards away from p18. Given a plurality of such measurements, homography module 214 may map the pixel coordinates listed in table 1 to physical coordinates in a soccer field. For example, pixel coordinates (500, 500) may represent physical coordinates 40 (50 yds, 35 yds). Because the camera angle for each image may be different, one cannot simply make a rigid one-to-one mapping of pixel coordinates and physical coordinates. Any warping, tilting, zooming, etc., captured in input image 352 needs to be properly mapped from the camera plane to a physical/field plane.

In some aspects, a different homography matrix is determined by homography module **214** for each different camera in the environment. For example, in a broadcast of a soccer match, there may be multiple different cameras situated in different locations of the soccer arena. Pose detector 204 may be used in a warm-up period to learn where landmarks are located in a given soccer field. Likewise, homography module 214 may determine a homography matrix based on the images provided by the specific camera. Subsequent to identifying the landmarks and determining the homography matrix, neural network 218 is configured to detect objects and have homography module 214 convert the pixel coordinates of the detected objects to physical coordinates using the homography matrix. For a different camera at a different position, this homography matrix will be different because the camera perspective is not identical.

In some aspects, after identifying the environment dimensions, via homography, object detector 216 is used to identify objects in the environment. Object detector 216 comprises neural network 218 and training dataset 220 in memory. Neural network 218 may be an image classifier that identifies an object in an image and outputs a label. Neural

network 218 may also be an image classifier that identifies an object in an image and generates a boundary around the object. In some aspects, generating the boundary around the object further comprises determining pixel coordinates of the object in the image. For example, the object may be a 5 player that is identified by neural network 218. Neural network 218 may generate the coordinates (500, 300). These coordinates may represent the center point of the boundary box generated around the identified player (i.e., the center point is a pixel that is 500 pixels away from the left-most pixel and 300 pixels above the bottom-most pixel). Subsequent to detecting objects in the image (e.g., players), homography module 214 may determine a position of the object in the environment plane (convert from the field plane). For example, homography module **214** may apply 15 the homography matrix used to convert pixel coordinates to physical coordinates—taking input (500, 300) and outputting (50 yds, 45 yds). Homography module 214 then outputs output image 126, which identifies object positions in the physical environment plane.

FIG. 4 illustrates a flow diagram of method 400 for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose. At 402, object localizer 202 trains, with a dataset (e.g., training dataset 208) comprising a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment (e.g., landmarks 301), a neural network (e.g., neural network 206) to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose comprises connected labelled landmarks of the environment. In some aspects, the neural network comprises a convolutional backbone with 30 feature extraction layers and a segmentation head.

At 404, object localizer 202 receives (e.g., via user interface 212) an input image depicting the environment. At 406, object localizer 202 generates (e.g., via image augmenter 210) an input tensor based on the received input 35 image. At 408, object localizer 202 inputs the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor comprising a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score. In 40 some aspects, the confidence level is a probability of a predicted position of a landmark being correct.

In some other aspects, the confidence level is a probability of whether a respective landmark is shown in a frame of the input image. In some aspects, the neural network is configured to determine a loss that is a linear combination of a mean absolute error for each identified landmark position and a cross entropy for point presence on the frame. This loss may be optimized using stochastic gradient descent without the long range offsets found in conventional pose 50 detection neural networks.

In some aspects, the pose confidence score is a mean value of all position confidence levels.

At 410, object localizer 202 calculates (e.g., via homography module 214) a homography matrix between each 55 position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment. In some aspects, the pre-built model of the environment is indicative of distances between each landmark in the environment. At 412, object 60 localizer 202 outputs an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

FIG. 5 is a block diagram illustrating a computer system 20 on which aspects of systems and methods for determining 65 environment dimensions based on environment pose may be implemented in accordance with an exemplary aspect. The

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computer system 20 can be in the form of multiple computing devices, or in the form of a single computing device, for example, a desktop computer, a notebook computer, a laptop computer, a mobile computing device, a smart phone, a tablet computer, a server, a mainframe, an embedded device, and other forms of computing devices.

As shown, the computer system 20 includes a central processing unit (CPU) 21, a system memory 22, and a system bus 23 connecting the various system components, including the memory associated with the central processing unit 21. The system bus 23 may comprise a bus memory or bus memory controller, a peripheral bus, and a local bus that is able to interact with any other bus architecture. Examples of the buses may include PCI, ISA, PCI-Express, Hyper-TransportTM, InfiniBandTM, Serial ATA, I²C, and other suitable interconnects. The central processing unit 21 (also referred to as a processor) can include a single or multiple sets of processors having single or multiple cores. The processor 21 may execute one or more computer-executable 20 code implementing the techniques of the present disclosure. For example, any of commands/steps discussed in FIGS. 2-4 may be performed by processor 21. The system memory 22 may be any memory for storing data used herein and/or computer programs that are executable by the processor 21. The system memory 22 may include volatile memory such as a random access memory (RAM) 25 and non-volatile memory such as a read only memory (ROM) 24, flash memory, etc., or any combination thereof. The basic input/ output system (BIOS) 26 may store the basic procedures for transfer of information between elements of the computer system 20, such as those at the time of loading the operating system with the use of the ROM 24.

The computer system 20 may include one or more storage devices such as one or more removable storage devices 27, one or more non-removable storage devices 28, or a combination thereof. The one or more removable storage devices 27 and non-removable storage devices 28 are connected to the system bus 23 via a storage interface 32. In an aspect, the storage devices and the corresponding computer-readable storage media are power-independent modules for the storage of computer instructions, data structures, program modules, and other data of the computer system 20. The system memory 22, removable storage devices 27, and non-removable storage devices 28 may use a variety of computerreadable storage media. Examples of computer-readable storage media include machine memory such as cache, SRAM, DRAM, zero capacitor RAM, twin transistor RAM, eDRAM, EDO RAM, DDR RAM, EEPROM, NRAM, RRAM, SONOS, PRAM; flash memory or other memory technology such as in solid state drives (SSDs) or flash drives; magnetic cassettes, magnetic tape, and magnetic disk storage such as in hard disk drives or floppy disks; optical storage such as in compact disks (CD-ROM) or digital versatile disks (DVDs); and any other medium which may be used to store the desired data and which can be accessed by the computer system 20.

The system memory 22, removable storage devices 27, and non-removable storage devices 28 of the computer system 20 may be used to store an operating system 35, additional program applications 37, other program modules 38, and program data 39. The computer system 20 may include a peripheral interface 46 for communicating data from input devices 40, such as a keyboard, mouse, stylus, game controller, voice input device, touch input device, or other peripheral devices, such as a printer or scanner via one or more I/O ports, such as a serial port, a parallel port, a universal serial bus (USB), or other peripheral interface. A

display device 47 such as one or more monitors, projectors, or integrated display, may also be connected to the system bus 23 across an output interface 48, such as a video adapter. In addition to the display devices 47, the computer system 20 may be equipped with other peripheral output devices 5 (not shown), such as loudspeakers and other audiovisual devices.

The computer system 20 may operate in a network environment, using a network connection to one or more remote computers 49. The remote computer (or computers) 10 49 may be local computer workstations or servers comprising most or all of the aforementioned elements in describing the nature of a computer system 20. Other devices may also be present in the computer network, such as, but not limited to, routers, network stations, peer devices or other network 15 nodes. The computer system 20 may include one or more network interfaces 51 or network adapters for communicating with the remote computers 49 via one or more networks such as a local-area computer network (LAN) 50, a widearea computer network (WAN), an intranet, and the Internet. Examples of the network interface 51 may include an Ethernet interface, a Frame Relay interface, SONET interface, and wireless interfaces.

Aspects of the present disclosure may be a system, a method, and/or a computer program product. The computer 25 program product may include a computer readable storage medium (or media) having computer readable program instructions thereon for causing a processor to carry out aspects of the present disclosure.

The computer readable storage medium can be a tangible 30 device that can retain and store program code in the form of instructions or data structures that can be accessed by a processor of a computing device, such as the computing system 20. The computer readable storage medium may be optical storage device, an electromagnetic storage device, a semiconductor storage device, or any suitable combination thereof. By way of example, such computer-readable storage medium can comprise a random access memory (RAM), a read-only memory (ROM), EEPROM, a portable compact 40 disc read-only memory (CD-ROM), a digital versatile disk (DVD), flash memory, a hard disk, a portable computer diskette, a memory stick, a floppy disk, or even a mechanically encoded device such as punch-cards or raised structures in a groove having instructions recorded thereon. As 45 used herein, a computer readable storage medium is not to be construed as being transitory signals per se, such as radio waves or other freely propagating electromagnetic waves, electromagnetic waves propagating through a waveguide or transmission media, or electrical signals transmitted through 50 a wire.

Computer readable program instructions described herein can be downloaded to respective computing devices from a computer readable storage medium or to an external computer or external storage device via a network, for example, 55 the Internet, a local area network, a wide area network and/or a wireless network. The network may comprise copper transmission cables, optical transmission fibers, wireless transmission, routers, firewalls, switches, gateway computers and/or edge servers. A network interface in each 60 computing device receives computer readable program instructions from the network and forwards the computer readable program instructions for storage in a computer readable storage medium within the respective computing device.

Computer readable program instructions for carrying out operations of the present disclosure may be assembly

instructions, instruction-set-architecture (ISA) instructions, machine instructions, machine dependent instructions, microcode, firmware instructions, state-setting data, or either source code or object code written in any combination of one or more programming languages, including an object oriented programming language, and conventional procedural programming languages. The computer readable program instructions may execute entirely on the user's computer, partly on the user's computer, as a stand-alone software package, partly on the user's computer and partly on a remote computer or entirely on the remote computer or server. In the latter scenario, the remote computer may be connected to the user's computer through any type of network, including a LAN or WAN, or the connection may be made to an external computer (for example, through the Internet). In some embodiments, electronic circuitry including, for example, programmable logic circuitry, field-programmable gate arrays (FPGA), or programmable logic arrays (PLA) may execute the computer readable program instructions by utilizing state information of the computer readable program instructions to personalize the electronic circuitry, in order to perform aspects of the present disclosure.

In various aspects, the systems and methods described in the present disclosure can be addressed in terms of modules. The term "module" as used herein refers to a real-world device, component, or arrangement of components implemented using hardware, such as by an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) or FPGA, for example, or as a combination of hardware and software, such as by a microprocessor system and a set of instructions to implement the module's functionality, which (while being executed) transform the microprocessor system into a special-purpose device. A module may also be implemented as a combinaan electronic storage device, a magnetic storage device, an 35 tion of the two, with certain functions facilitated by hardware alone, and other functions facilitated by a combination of hardware and software. In certain implementations, at least a portion, and in some cases, all, of a module may be executed on the processor of a computer system. Accordingly, each module may be realized in a variety of suitable configurations, and should not be limited to any particular implementation exemplified herein.

> In the interest of clarity, not all of the routine features of the aspects are disclosed herein. It would be appreciated that in the development of any actual implementation of the present disclosure, numerous implementation-specific decisions must be made in order to achieve the developer's specific goals, and these specific goals will vary for different implementations and different developers. It is understood that such a development effort might be complex and time-consuming, but would nevertheless be a routine undertaking of engineering for those of ordinary skill in the art, having the benefit of this disclosure.

> Furthermore, it is to be understood that the phraseology or terminology used herein is for the purpose of description and not of restriction, such that the terminology or phraseology of the present specification is to be interpreted by the skilled in the art in light of the teachings and guidance presented herein, in combination with the knowledge of those skilled in the relevant art(s). Moreover, it is not intended for any term in the specification or claims to be ascribed an uncommon or special meaning unless explicitly set forth as such.

> The various aspects disclosed herein encompass present and future known equivalents to the known modules referred to herein by way of illustration. Moreover, while aspects and applications have been shown and described, it would be apparent to those skilled in the art having the benefit of this

disclosure that many more modifications than mentioned above are possible without departing from the inventive concepts disclosed herein.

The invention claimed is:

1. A method for determining environment dimensions 5 based on environment pose, the method comprising:

training, with a dataset comprising a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose 10 comprises connected labelled landmarks of the environment;

receiving an input image depicting the environment; generating an input tensor based on the received input image;

inputting the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor comprising a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score;

calculating a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and

outputting an image that visually connects each landmark 25 along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein a camera perspective of the input image does not match any of the camera perspectives of the plurality of images in the dataset.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the neural network comprises:
 - a convolutional backbone with feature extraction layers, and
 - a segmentation head.
- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the pre-built model of the environment is indicative of distances between each landmark in the environment.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the neural network is further configured to determine a heat map for each position 40 of each identified landmark, wherein the heat map represents an area in which the identified landmark may be in the input image.
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein the neural network optimizes a loss using stochastic gradient descent.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the input image is a video frame of a livestream, and wherein the neural network determines environment dimensions in real-time.
- **8**. The method of claim **1**, wherein the environment is a sports field and the labelled landmarks are locations on the 50 sports field.
- 9. A system for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose, the system comprising:
 - a hardware processor configured to:

train, with a dataset comprising a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose comprises connected labelled landmarks of the environment;

receive an input image depicting the environment; generate an input tensor based on the received input image;

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input the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor comprising a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score;

calculate a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and output an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

- 10. The system of claim 9, wherein a camera perspective of the input image does not match any of the camera perspectives of the plurality of images in the dataset.
- 11. The system of claim 9, wherein the neural network comprises:
 - a convolutional backbone with feature extraction layers, and
 - a segmentation head.
- 12. The system of claim 9, wherein the pre-built model of the environment is indicative of distances between each landmark in the environment.
- 13. The system of claim 9, wherein the neural network is further configured to determine a heat map for each position of each identified landmark, wherein the heat map represents an area in which the identified landmark may be in the input image.
- 14. The system of claim 13, wherein the neural network optimizes a loss using stochastic gradient descent.
- 15. The system of claim 9, wherein the input image is a video frame of a livestream, and wherein the neural network determines environment dimensions in real-time.
- 16. The system of claim 9, wherein the environment is a sports field and the labelled landmarks are locations on the sports field.
- 17. A non-transitory computer readable medium storing thereon computer executable instructions for determining environment dimensions based on environment pose, including instructions for:

training, with a dataset comprising a plurality of images featuring an environment and labelled landmarks in the environment, a neural network to identify a pose of an environment in an arbitrary image, wherein the pose comprises connected labelled landmarks of the environment;

receiving an input image depicting the environment; generating an input tensor based on the received input image;

- inputting the input tensor into the neural network, wherein the neural network is configured to generate an output tensor comprising a position of each identified landmark, a confidence level associated with each position, and a pose confidence score;
- calculating a homography matrix between each position in the output tensor along a camera plane and a corresponding position in an environment plane, based on a pre-built model of the environment; and
- outputting an image that visually connects each landmark along the environment plane based on the homography matrix.

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